

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS

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Wednesday, September 30, 2015 10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (15-4787)

Attachments: AUDIO

Present: Chairperson Eleanor R. Montaño, Commissioner Donald S.

Andrews, Vice Chairperson Barbara Bigby, Commissioner Susan Burton, Commissioner Percy Duran III, Commissioner Cheryl

Grills Ph.D. and Commissioner Theresa Zhen

Excused: Commissioner Johanna Arias-Bhatia, Commissioner Keren M.

Goldberg and Commissioner Anne S. Hill

Staff present: Bolaji Famuyiwa and Roy Sinclair. (15-4808)

Call to Order. (15-4653)

Chairperson Montaño called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Chairperson Montaño led in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

1. Approval of the September 23, 2015 Minutes. (15-4654)

On motion of Commissioner Donald S. Andrews, seconded by Commissioner Percy Duran, III, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

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II. REPORTS

2. Chairperson's Report on various items. (15-4655)

Chairperson Montaño shared a Daily Breeze Newspaper Article with the Commission:

Judge: Baca Won't be Immune (September 29, 2015)

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3. Treasurer's report. (15-4656)

Commissioner Andrews reported that the balance of the Commissioner's Charitable Fund remains at \$408.90.

4. Staff Report on Correspondence Received and Department Representative Reports. (15-4657)

Staff reported that the letter regarding the Inmate Welfare Fund was forwarded to the office of County Counsel for review and it is anticipated that a response from Counsel will be given in about a week. The draft letter for Commander Ralph Ornelas is ready for Chairperson Montaño's review and approval.

5. Commissioners' Reports on Group Home and/or Detention Facilities Inspections from September 24, 2015 to September 29, 2015. (15-4658)

During the reporting period, the following group homes/facilities were reported as being in satisfactory condition:

Chairperson Montaño and Commissioner Andrews visited:

- Airport Courthouse (South La Cienega Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA) on September 29, 2015.
- T & T Home for Boys (Tillman Avenue, Carson, CA) on September 28, 2015 and noted that the kitchen needs cleaning and Bedroom #1 has a hole in the wall. The Commissioners will conduct a follow-up inspection in (60) sixty days.

Vice Chairperson Bigby visited:

- Penny Lane #10 (North Valley Street, Burbank, CA) on September 25, 2015 and noted that the tile in the main bathroom needs to be re-grouted.
- Hillsides Home for Children "Boys Satellite Home" (Maiden Lane, Altadena, CA) on September 24, 2015.

Commissioners Burton and Grills visited:

 Junior Blind of America (Angeles Vista, Los Angeles, CA) on September 26, 2015 and noted that some of the windows do not have quick-release latches. Postings of the Youth Individual Rights, House Rules, etc., were taken down during the remodel and painting of the facility.

During the reporting period, the following group homes/facilities were reported as no one being home:

Chairperson Montaño and Commissioner Andrews visited:

 T & T Home for Boys (Tillman Avenue, Carson, CA) on September 24, 2015.

Vice Chairperson Bigby visited:

• Careprovider Org Foundation "Careprovider Children and Family Services #1" (N. Kidder Avenue, Covina, CA) on September 29, 2015.

III. DISCUSSION

- 6. Discussion and general overview of the duties of the Wrap-around Program administered by the Department of Children and Family Services, Department of Mental Health and Probation department.
 - Jennifer Hottenroth, Psy.D., Department of Children and Family Services
 - John Robinson, Probation Department (15-4659)

Representatives Luz Moran, Children Services Administrator for Wrap-around, Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), Anabel Rodriguez, Program Manager, Children Welfare Division, Probation Department and John Robinson, Supervisor, Wrap-around Services, Probation Department (PD), presented a general overview of the wrap-around services provided by DCFS, PD and DMH.

Ms. Moran added that wrap-around services have been around for the past fifteen years and there are currently 48 contracted agencies in Los Angeles County, with 17 facilities providing wrap-around services to 2,709 youth and their families as of August 31, 2015. DCFS, DMH and PD in conjunction with approximately 33 liaisons and Probation Officers work as a team in connecting the youth and their families to needed services. The wrap-around services are provided to youth ages 5 through 18, however, the passage of Assembly Bill 12 (AB12) extended the age limit to 21.

The wrap-around services are primarily geared to serving high-risk youth; those with severe mental health, community, justice and physical challenges. While this is true, the services are also available to other youth that do not have the aforementioned challenges but have a case open.

Ms. Rodriguez provided a PowerPoint overview of DMH's 2014-15 demographics of mental health services that were provided to the youth based on age, gender and service areas. She stated that in 2014-15 mental health services were provided to 3,856 youth. There are currently 48 sites providing wrap-around services but the County is expected to have 100.

Commissioner Grills inquired whether or not any report has been done that shows the need for services in a particular area and the availability of services in those areas. Ms. Moran stated that there are now an additional 20 wrap-around service providers agencies in Service Area 6.

Commissioners Andrews and Grills inquired whether there is continuity in ensuring that the youth and their families are provided information regarding access to needed services for those youth who are leaving custody.

Mr. Robinson stated that wrap-around service providers are contractually obligated to provide services to the youth and their families. Caseworkers, probation officers as well as DMH, DCFS and liaisons make sure that information is provided to the transitioning age youth.

Following a discussion, Ms. Moran stated that she would provide the contact information of the wrap-around service liaisons and administrators, a 3 year report based on ethnicity and a copy of the enrollment agreement application as requested by the Commission.

Chairperson Eleanor R. Montaño thanked Ms. Moran, Ms. Rodriguez and Mr. Robinson for taking time to come a provide information regarding the services being provided by their departments.

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IV. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

7. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (15-4660)

There were no matters presented for a future agenda.

Public Comment

8. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (15-4661)

There were no members of the public present to address the Commission.

<u>Adjournment</u>

9. Adjournment for the meeting of September 30, 2015. (15-4662)

There being no further business, Chairperson Montaño adjourned the meeting of September 23, 2015 at 11:35 a.m.